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AMENDMENT AND  
PRIOR ART STATEMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box Fee Amendment  
Washington D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the 22 May 2000, Patent and Trademark Office Action, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the following text as an amendment after the last sentence, line 4 of the

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

-- Disclosed silencers for conventional bow strings have uniform and necked down  
configurations, and a representative, disclosed silencer for split bow strings has a center segment  
and integral arms at opposite ends of the center segment. With the silencer at rest, these arms  
extend in opposite directions from, and at equal angles to, the center segment. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1 and 2 without prejudice.

Rewrite claim 3 in independent form as follows:

The combination of:

a bow;

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